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- (1) Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 11-61596.

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- (5) Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 05-286065.
- (6) Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-272733.

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The relevance of documents (1) - (6) above is discussed in the enclosed English-language abstract of each of the documents. Also enclosed are English-language translations of select excerpts of documents (1) and (3) above which set forth the relevance thereof.

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